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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Attorney for applicant and the Examiner had a telephone interview on July 7, 2009. The Examiner and attorney for applicant discussed U.S. Patent No. 4,800,879 to Golyakhovsky et al. Arguments were presented to overcome the Golyakhovsky reference in light of the claim recitation that the first and second arm portions and bridge portion maintain a generally U-shaped configuration before, during, and after application of the clip to tissue of the patient. An agreement was reached that language specifying that in the maintained U-shaped configuration, the first and second arm portions are substantially parallel to each other would overcome the Golyakhovsky reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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